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Military activity again dropped to a generally low level following the weekend increase. There are reports of new clashes northeast of Kontum City against the Rangers who were under heavy attacks a week ago. To the south, in Darlac Province, two government regiments that have been conducting interdiction operations since the end of January have withdrawn to rest and refit. The operation was only moderately successful. Although the South Vietnamese daily positioned artillery to cut the main north-south road, they withdrew at night when most of the convoys moved. Government units did force the Communists construct additional spurs and bypasses toward the Cambodian border, but well implaced North Vietnamese air defense units in the area greatly restricted aerial reconnaissance, denying the government forces badly needed. (cont')

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